(12) INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PUBLISHED UNDER THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY (PCT)

(19) World Intellectual Property **Organization**

International Bureau





(43) International Publication Date 6 May 2004 (06.05.2004)

PCT

(10) International Publication Number WO 2004/037013 A2

(51) International Patent Classification7:

A23L

(21) International Application Number:

PCT/US2003/033497

- (22) International Filing Date: 21 October 2003 (21.10.2003)
- (25) Filing Language:

English

(26) Publication Language:

English

(30) Priority Data:

60/420,420

21 October 2002 (21.10.2002) US

- (71) Applicant (for all designated States except US): MARS INCORPORATED [US/US]; 6885 Elm Street, McLean, VA 22101-3883 (US).
- (72) Inventor; and
- (75) Inventor/Applicant (for US only): WOELFEL, Keith [US/US]; 46 Center Grove Road, Randolph, NJ 07869 (US).
- (74) Agents: MANDRA, Raymond, R. et al.; Fitzpatrick, Cella, Harper & Scinto, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10112-3801 (US).

- (81) Designated States (national): AE, AG, AL, AM, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BB, BG, BR, BY, BZ, CA, CH, CN, CO, CR, CU, CZ, DE, DK, DM, DZ, EC, EE, EG, ES, FI, GB, GD, GE, GH, GM, HR, HU, ID, IL, IN, IS, JP, KE, KG, KP, KR, KZ, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, MA, MD, MG, MK, MN, MW, MX, MZ, NI, NO, NZ, OM, PG, PH, PL, PT, RO, RU, SC, SD, SE, SG, SK, SL, SY, TJ, TM, TN, TR, TT, TZ, UA, UG, US, UZ, VC, VN, YU, ZA, ZM, ZW.
- (84) Designated States (regional): ARIPO patent (GH, GM, KE, LS, MW, MZ, SD, SL, SZ, TZ, UG, ZM, ZW), Eurasian patent (AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD, RU, TJ, TM), European patent (AT, BE, BG, CH, CY, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, HU, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, RO, SE, SI, SK, TR), OAPI patent (BF, BJ, CF, CG, CI, CM, GA, GN, GQ, GW, ML, MR, NE, SN, TD, TG).

Published:

without international search report and to be republished upon receipt of that report

For two-letter codes and other abbreviations, refer to the "Guidance Notes on Codes and Abbreviations" appearing at the beginning of each regular issue of the PCT Gazette.